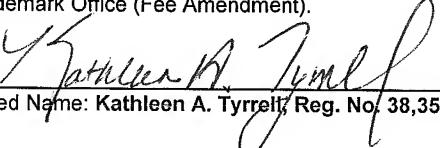


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At the outset, Applicants would like to thank Examiners Palenik and Woodward for the courtesy of the Telephone Interview conducted on February 19, 2008. This reply is responsive to the Office Action mailed October 26, 2007 setting a three (3) month statutory period for response and to issues discussed during the February 19, 2008 interview. A Petition for a one (1) month extension of time and the

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Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

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